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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Training

SUBJECT : Contracting for Messing, Housekeeping, and Maintenance
Services at []

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REFERENCE : Memo dtd 18 Apr 56 to DD/S fr A/D/Trg, same subject.

1. The referenced staff study recommended that the present system of ap-
pointment under Schedule A authority be continued for personnel in the messing,
housekeeping, and maintenance activities at [] I approved of this staff
study on 9 June 1956 with the following quoted reservation: "In approving of this
staff study I, of course, recognize the problems inherent in changing to contract.
However, I am still not sure that the importance to the Agency of keeping our mem-
bers down, particularly in this type and level of employee, may not someday out-
weigh the risks involved. We may well want to examine the matter again at some
future date."

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2. As you know, during my visit to [] on 30 September and 1
October 1957 we discussed this problem at length. I was convinced, subject to fur-
ther discussions with the Office of Security and the CI Staff that it was in the best
interest of the Agency, and not inconsistent with good security, to arrange for at
least a part of these services on a contract basis.

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3. On 2 October 1957 I discussed this matter again with the Acting Direc-
tor of Security [] and the Deputy Chief of the CI Staff (Herman
[]). We are agreed that as a matter of principle there are no security reasons
why at least a part, and possibly all of these services should not be arranged for on
a contract basis.

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4. You are, therefore, directed to pursue this matter vigorously effecting
the necessary coordination with other Agency components, and particularly with the
Office of Security.

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